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BY TELEGRAPH.

WITHOUT HOMES

Deplorable Condition Caused by
the Flood at St Paul

HUNDREDS OF HOMES CARRIED AWAY

Mississippi Continues to Rise—High-
est Point Reached Since 1881—Resi-
dents are Literally Homeless—
Millions of Lumber Gone

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

St Paul, Minn. April 2.—The Mississippi
has reached a stage of 16 feet and is still
rising slowly. This is the highest point
reached since the great flood of 1881.
Residents on the flats had ample warning
to save themselves and their property.

Between Minneapolis and St Paul 1000
families have been made homeless by the
flood. They lived in flats along the river
and lowlands of West St Paul. Families
that lived to the left of interurban bridge
at Minneapolis have been driven out and
a vast body of water rushes over the spot
where their homes used to be.

It has swept away many houses on the
west side of the water encroaching over
Robert street bridge. Only two streets in
the flats are free from water and those
only for three squares. The water is com-
ing up and gradually submerging all the
low lands. Already 300 houses over there
are under water and more disappear each
succeeding hour.

Looking from the pier of the old Broad
way bridge towards the South the west side
looks like an immense lake with house tops
sticking above the surface here and there
to relieve the monotony. Many residences
farther down are covered and the lake is
floating full of all sorts of household
goods, fences, barn roofs, trees and lum-
ber of all descriptions. On the upper
flats on the east side of the river the in-
habitants woke this morning to find yards
and in some cases the house flooded. They
immediately began to move.

By a sudden rise of the river at South
St Paul last night 80 sheep were
drowned. There were 8000 sheep in the
pens at that point which are being re-
moved to other yards. Millions of feet of
lumber got away from companies to the
north and have floated over the St.
Anthony falls.

NEW YORK'S BIG STRIKE

May be Intensely United Next Week
by Seth Low's Decision

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

New York April 2.—A meeting of the
committee representing the Plumber's
union and Steam Fitters union which was
called Thursday by Seth Low in his capacity
as arbitrator of the strike pending on
the buildings of Columbia university and
which has threatened to involve all
the building trades of New York city was
not concluded until 2:30 this morning.

The troubles of contractors and em-
ployees on the University building were
gone over. In all 15 witnesses were ex-
amined. At the conclusion of the meet-
ing the committee stated they would
agree to abide by whatever decision he
made. It was understood that Mr Low
would make a report not later than Mon-
day next.

COL GRANT DECLINES

Surprises His Friends by Refusing
the President's Offer

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

New York, April 2.—Col Fred D Grant
has declined President McKinley's offer as
first assistant secretary of war.

DAUNTLESS MUST FURNISH BONDS

Washington April 2.—The owner of the
steamer Dauntless now at Jacksonville Fla
has made another ap-
plication to the treasury department for
permission to clear from that port. A
telegrammatic answer has been sent
telling the Dauntless cannot be given
until the Dauntless furnishes bonds of
\$1,000 as required by the United
States court that the vessel will not
engage in filibustering operations.

PRINCE BISMARCK'S BIRTHDAY

Friedrichshagen April 2.—Prince Bismarck
received a large number of
congratulatory messages yesterday
on the occasion of his 82nd anniversary.
His birthday which is celebrated
in Germany is spent quietly with his family.
Among the messages of congratulation
was a telegram from Emperor William
couched in most cordial terms.

ASSISTANT SURGEON GENERAL

Albany April 2.—Asst Gen Filling
has been commissioned as assistant sur-
geon general Nelson H. Hany of New
York who served in the capacity
for several years in the former sur-
geon general's department and as assistant
general inspector of the practice
Frank J. Hess of Rochester.

CLAIMS AGAINST NEW YORK STATE

Albany April 2.—Laura V Hatch of
Fort Miller Washington county has
filed a claim against the state for \$400
for land appropriated for the purposes
of the Champlain canal and Ludwig
Guck of Pittsford Chautauque county
for \$200 for damages to land from
canal overflow.

TWO BROTHERS KILLED IN A COLLIER

Wilkesbarre Pa April 2.—Michael
Parish was instantly killed and his
brother William fatally injured yes-
terday afternoon in the Avoca colliery.
They had been engaged in tamping a
hole in a body of coal when the charge
of powder exploded. Both men were
horribly mutilated.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

Wrecks Powder Company's Plant
No Lives Lost

BOULDERS HURLED THROUGH HOUSES

Force of Explosion Shook Buildings
Five Miles Away—Workmen Were
at Their Homes—Hurled
in the Debris

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

Shamokin, Penn. April 2.—All the
buildings of the Shamokin Powder com-
pany are completely wrecked by a terrific
explosion early this morning. No lives
were lost all the workmen having gone
to their homes. The dwellings of David
Hamm, Emanuel Klinger and Daniel
Osman together with outbuildings and
barns were badly damaged.

The powder mill is located about five
miles from the town but the force of the
explosion shook nearly every building
here and many persons rushed from their
homes to ascertain the cause of the shock.
The only person injured was Mrs. Hamm
who was badly cut about the face and
body.

The damaged residences are located
nearly a half mile from the scene of
the explosion but the sides of the
houses facing towards the powder mill
were caved in by the shock. Mr and Mrs
Hamm and Mrs Klinger were buried in
their beds beneath the debris. Boulders
weighing 200 pounds were hurled through
sides of dwellings. Loss \$50,000.

WORK OF SCOUNDRELS

Attempt to Fire a Coal Mine Dis-
covered Just in Time

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

Hazleton Pa. April 2.—Incendiarists
attempted last night to destroy No 3 mine
of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal com-
pany near here. Men working on the
lower shaft were alarmed by smoke com-
ing down the stairway.

They hastened to the bottom of the
slope and tried to climb up to investigate
but were driven back by the dense smoke.
Foreman William and Leinde hastened
toward the surface and a short distance
from the top found the large double doors
abandoned. By taking them from their hinges
the men prevented the fire igniting the coal.

Further investigation showed that oil
had been sprinkled on the ground below
the door and there were found a number
of burned matches. This is the mine in
which a fire was recently extinguished at
a cost of over \$20,000. There were about
30 men in the mine at the time.

THE SULTAN WANTS A CHANCE

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

Constantinople April 2.—The fighting
between Muslims and Christians which
is daily reported from Crete is creating a
very bad impression here and it is be-
lieved the Turkish government will soon
propose to the powers that Turkey her-
self be permitted to take action against
the insurgents.

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WOULD AVENGE HIM

If Rivera Is Shot Spanish Captives
May Expect No Mercy

MACHETES WOULD AWAIT THEM ALL

Gomez's Present Magnanimous Policy
Would Certainly Come to an End,
and Cubans in Arms Could
Not Be Restrained

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

New York April 2.—One of the
Cuban patriots speaking on the
subject to-day said that it was possi-
ble that Weyler would order Gen
Rivera to be killed but he thought
that Spanish fear of the effects of
the revolution would prevent such a
move. He added that if it did he
thought that Spanish would be shaken to
its very foundation. The opinion of
many among Cubans of this city that if
Rivera is shot Maximo Gomez, or the
old man as they love to call him will
order every Spanish prisoner now in
custody hereafter captured put to
the machete. It would be very difficult
they said for the Cubans in arms to
contain themselves under such circum-
stances and Gomez's present magnani-
mous policy toward prisoners of war
would certainly come to an end.

FIRE ON THE BERMUDA

A British Warship's Captain Believes the
Famous Philibuster Escaped Him

New York April 2.—A special dis-
patch from Nassau, N P says: The
British cruiser Partridge Capt Van
Ingen commanding reports that on
Sunday last she fired on a suspicious
vessel that resembled the old filibuster
Bermuda. The Partridge started on a
cruise on March 27 and early on Sun-
day she sighted the steamship which
she at first thought was a West Indian
freighter. The vessel refused to show
her colors and the Partridge started in
pursuit. The cruiser being the slower
vessel the suspicious steamship es-
caped. The Partridge returned to
Waltinger island to look after a
schooner that was with the steamship,
but she too had escaped. It is sup-
posed that the vessels were part of a
filibustering expedition that started
from Nassau for Cuba. The Partridge
will leave at once for another search
after them.

THE CRETAN SITUATION

Foreign Admirals Now Apply for Cavalry
for the Island

London April 2.—It is credibly
stated here that the admirals
commanding the fleets on duty at
Crete and other Cretan ports have
applied to their respective governments
to send fifty cavalry and a half
battalion of artillery which they de-
clare are to be used for guarding the
pass. It is stated that the admirals
have announced that these forces will
be used solely to defend the various
forts.

Greek Vessels Captured

Albany April 2.—Some of the British
warships on blockade duty in the
waters of Crete have captured
three small Greek trading vessels.
Much indignation is expressed here
over the affair as it is pretty clearly
established that at the time the vessels
were captured they were outside the
limits of the blockade.

ALL AGAINST THE CHRISTIANS

Cannes April 2.—The admirals com-
manding the foreign fleets in Crete
have now refused to allow the
Christians at Akrotiri to sell sheep or
produce in Cannes which is but a short
distance from Akrotiri unless they
surrender their arms.

Heavy Weather Encountered at Sea

London April 2.—The British bark
Clydesdale just arrived at Liverpool
reports that in mid ocean she en-
countered a hurricane during which her
bulwarks were broken and started
a sea blower away and the vessel
thrown on her beam ends. Her cargo
shifted and she decks were swept by
the sea.

Confirmed by the Senate

Washington April 2.—The senate
has confirmed the nomination of Wil-
liam S. Shaler as ambassador to Pen-
sylvania. The second vice president
general Charles W. Townsend of Pen-
sylvania to be minister to Austria
Hungary and Alexander B. Thackery
of Pennsylvania to be consul at Havre,
France.

Jersey City Mayoralty Case

Trenton April 2.—The supreme
court has granted the compulsory
order of mandamus sued for by Edward
Hoos demanding the candidate for mayor
of Jersey City to compel City Clerk
O'Donnell to prepare for the municipal
election on April 13. The case will be
appealed.

Kentucky Senatorship

Frankfort Ky April 2.—Dr Hunter
this morning told several of his leaders
that he would not withdraw from the
race for senator. His supporters say
that the opposition cannot secure
enough signatures to call a new pub-
lican caucus.

Thrown Out of Work by Fire

Natick Mass April 2.—Fifty per-
cents are thrown out of work by the
burning of the factory of the Broad
nail Shoe Manufacturing company
yesterday. The entire stock was de-
stroyed entailing a loss of about
\$5,000.

Diamond Robber Arrested

St. Louis April 2.—Acting upon tele-
graphic notification from the chief of
police of Albany N Y city detectives
last night arrested Wm Lacey at the
Van Studdiford hotel. Lacey is wanted
for a diamond robbery in Albany.

Death of Harry J. Mowbray

Syracuse N Y April 2.—Harry J.
Mowbray a leading citizen of Syra-
cuse and well known democratic poli-
tician, died here last evening.

WHITE AND DRAPER

Brief Sketches of the Two New
Ambassadors

BOTH WELL FITTED FOR THEIR POSTS

The Former a Distinguished Educator
and the New Diplomat to Italy a
Prominent Business Man The
Other Latest Nominations

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

Washington April 2.—The following
nominations sent to the senate yester-
day by the president will be confirmed
probably this afternoon. Andrew D.
White of New York ambassador to
Germany. Chandler Hale of Maine
secretary of the embassy at Rome.
Samuel L. Gracey of Massachusetts,
consul at Inchon China. Benjamin
Ritterworth of Ohio commissioner of
patents. Oliver L. Spaulding of Michi-
gan and William B. Howell of New
Jersey to be assistant secretaries of
the treasury. The president has de-
cided to nominate Dr W W Thomas
of Portland Me for the position of
minister to Sweden and Norway.

Andrew D. White

Andrew D. White is a dis-
tinguished educator. He was the first
president of Cornell university a post
he held for many years. He is a na-
tive of New York having been
born at Homer, in 1837. He is
of New England parentage and also
a graduate of Yale university. He
was president of the republican state
convention of New York in October
1861, and was United States minister
to Prussia. Mr White was also one
of the United States commissioners to
Santo Domingo and added in prepar-
ing the report of that commission. He
most recent public work has been as a
member of the Venezuelan arbitration
commission appointed by President
Cleveland.

William L. Draper

William L. Draper was born
in Lowell Middlesex county Mass
and was educated in the public schools.
After working a few years in a cotton
mill he enlisted as a private in the war
and was continuously promoted for
various services to the rank of brevet
brigadier-general which he held in
the army of the Potomac. Returning
from the front he joined with his
father in business, and has since oc-
cupied a prominent position as a manu-
facturer being the president or di-
rector of a great number of railroad
and manufacturing companies. He
was a delegate to the republican con-
vention which nominated President
Hayes, and presidential elector at large
on the republican ticket in 1888. He is
a member of many prominent clubs and
of the Legal Legion.

Benjamin Ritterworth

Benjamin Ritterworth was first ap-
pointed to the commission of
patents in 1883. Previous to that he
had served as the United States district
attorney in Cincinnati and as member
of the state senate of Ohio in 1873-74.
He was elected to congress in 1878 and
1880 and was the author of the com-
pulsory army retirement act. In 1883
President Arthur appointed him a
commissioner to examine a part of the
Northern Pacific railroad and he was
engaged by the government as counsel
to prosecute the South Carolina elec-
tion cases in the same year. Chandler
Hale, who is nominated for secretary
of the embassy at Rome is a son of
Senator Hale of Maine. He is only 23
years of age and has just graduated
from college.

Day Will Go To Cuba

Washington April 2.—It is stated
this morning that Judge W. D. Day
of Canton will positively leave for Cuba
within a short time. He will come
here about the middle of last of next
week and will remain here about ten
days investigating the papers in the
state department relating to the death
of Dr Ruiz. He will thoroughly look
into this, and after consulting with
the president will leave for Havana.
His duties will be strictly legal and
will not partake of the nature of
diplomacy.

PLACE FOR GRANT

President Offers Him the Assistant Sec-
retaryship of War

Washington April 2.—Col Fred
Grant had a long talk with the president
and secretary Alger yesterday and the
assistant secretaryship of war was
offered to him. Col Grant urged Col
Grant to accept. The colonel agreed
to take the offer under advisement.
Gen Alger believes that the offer will
be declined. Col Grant does not seem
inclined to accept it. Col Grant re-
fused to talk of the matter except to
say that his family did not wish to
come to Washington. He is a
nephew of the soldier. He has
some effect upon Col Grant's decision.

Col Grant Will Probably Accept

New York April 2.—Friends of Col
Grant who was yesterday offered the
assistant secretaryship of war in this
city said this morning that he does
the deed in the police board will
be broken.

Senate Committees

Washington April 2.—Senator Al-
ton chairman of the republican sena-
torial caucus has appointed the follow-
ing committee on committees. Sena-
tor McMillan of Michigan chairman
and Senators Davis, Mann, Gallinger,
N H Lodge, Mass. Sewell, N J
Gorham, Carter, Mont, Pritchard,
N C Spooner, Wis.

Gen Lee's Family Returning Home

Havanna April 2.—Mrs Lee and Miss
Lee, wife and daughter respectively of
Gen Fitzhugh Lee, the American con-
sul general here sailed last night for
New York on the Ward line steamer
City of Washington.

RATE WAR AVERTED

Railroad Magnates Do Not Expect
Any Disastrous Cutting

INDIVIDUAL ACTION OF OFFICERS

Form of Organization Under Which
Western Roads Will Operate in Con-
formity with Trans Missouri
Decision Adopted

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

Chicago April 2.—Executive officers
of western railroads met last evening
with their presence and freight
officials and adopted the form of organ-
ization under which the roads will
operate in conformity with the trans-
Missouri decision of the supreme court.
In the case of the freight association
now to be called Western freight
association the agreement already
published was adopted with one ex-
ception. It related to the power given
the board of commissioners to fix
the divisions of through rates. The
change was advised by the attorney
who believed that it would be a vio-
lation of the spirit of the anti-trust law
for the board to fix the percentages.
The rest of the agreement really makes
the collection and distribution of
statistics as to rates tonnage etc for
which work the western roads will pay
out salaries alone about \$100,000. It
is believed that some of the high
salaries paid will find other pos-
sibilities soon and by reasoning reduce the
cost of the bureau that much. The
executive officers authorized the pas-
senger men to prepare an agreement
retaining the mileage and clearing up
the bureau agreement. The new pas-
senger compact will be made operative
after approval of the attorney with-
out any meeting of the executive
officers. It was decided to retain all
the machinery of the Western passen-
ger association probably under the
same name but Chairman
Caldwells title will be changed
to harmonize with the spirit of the
decision. All danger of rate demoraliza-
tion in the west as a result of the dis-
solution of the traffic association for
maintaining rates seems to have passed
away and a feeling of general satisfac-
tion exists. This condition has been
brought about by individual action on
the part of the presidents and other
officers of each road interested. Strict
orders have been issued to conference
agents and others concerned that under
no circumstances or provocation of
competitors must the authorized rates
be cut in order to secure traffic. A vio-
lation of this order will result in dis-
missal from service.

ANXIOUS TO RETALIATE

Canadian Hope the Senate Will Concur
in the Dingley Bill

Ottawa Ont. April 2.—Dispatches
from Washington announcing the pas-
sage of the Dingley tariff bill by the
house of representatives have attracted
general attention among the members
of the house of commons. It is con-
sidered unlikely that any serious mod-
ifications of the bill will be made by
the senate the belief being that the
bill is promising something for silver.
A group of liberal members rep-
resenting the most important provinces
from Nova Scotia to British Columbia
were talking the matter over last
night. Everyone expressed the wish
that the senate would make no amend-
ments to the bill that would in any
way lessen its extreme protective fea-
tures. They consider the time oppor-
tune for giving Americans a dose of
their own medicine and would pre-
fer to leave all the justification for Cana-
dian protection tariff bill that a
tariff like that of the Dingley bill
will give.

Death of Col George Duryea

New York April 2.—Col George
Duryea of Glen Cove L I a distin-
guished veteran of the civil war is
dead at St Vincent's hospital in this
city. Col Duryea was descended from
an old French Huguenot family. His
ancestors emigrated to this country in
1607 and settled on Long Island where
the Duryeas have since resided.

The Connecticut Trout Law

New Haven Conn April 2.—The
amended bill shortening the Connecti-
cut trout season by cutting off the
last fifteen days in June has passed
both houses and now goes to the gov-
ernor. It is approved by the huge ma-
jority of anglers as it tends to check
the return of trout in spring when
during the low water of late June.

Dr J C Moore Sentenced

Hanover N H April 2.—Dr J
C Moore was sentenced to four years
in state prison yesterday. He was
convicted on charges of fraudulently
obtaining the stock of the Union
Publishing company of this city.

State Coal Contract Awarded

Albany April 2.—Superintendent
of Public Buildings Paston has a vari-
ety of R B Rock Co of Albany the
contract for furnishing the state build-
ings 6,600 tons of coal.

His Name Identified

Wilkesbarre Pa April 2.—The
name of the man found dead here
Wednesday has been identified as
those of J. Keller a tailor from
Rochester N Y.

State Position for a Woman

Albany April 2.—Mrs Martha R
Kiny of Jamestown has been ap-
pointed a deputy state factory inspector at
a salary of \$1,200.

To Attend Grant Monument Dedication

Houlton Me April 2.—Gov Powers
has accepted an invitation to attend
the dedications of the Grant monu-
ment on April 27.

CUBA IN THE SENATE

Cretan and Silver Subjects Also
Contribute to a Lively Session

GENERAL RIVERA'S CASE DISCUSSED

Senator Allen Wants This Government To
Protect Against His Summary Execu-
tion. Morgan Says Indian Famines
Is Not the Greatest Hardship

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript)

Washington April 2.—The proceed-
ings in the senate during the hour of
its open session yesterday were of a
rather interesting character. In the
first place a resolution was in-
troduced and passed authorizing the
secretary of the navy to place a vessel
of war and chartered merchant vessel
at the disposal of the collector of the
port of New York for transporting
contributions of wheat flour and corn
to relieve the famine in India. In the
brief discussion to which the
measure gave rise Mr Stewart op-
posed the measure. He expressed the
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